

To the attention of The Appropriations Committee: Senator Catherine Osten, Senator Paul Formica, and Representative Toni Walker:

I attended ECA for three years during high school. I consider those three years to be the most crucial of my thirteen years of public school education, and the experience that directly altered the trajectory of my life. ECA gave me the tools, support, and confidence to pursue my skills and fundamental interest in fine art. Since graduating from ECA, I have been working in the art world in New York City both as a successful artist and as an arts administrator in several blue chip galleries. I cannot stress how important and crucial the role ECA played in my life, and more than anything I want to stress how vital I think access this programming is for future high school students.

Sincerely,

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